CLAIMS:

- 1. An apparatus for igniting charcoal with the help of an inflammable sustainable material, especially a material based on wood, characterized by a cage which receives the charcoal and comprises a circumferential wall (1) which is provided with pass-through openings (12) and is made of the sustainable material.
- 2. An apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that the circumferential wall (1) is polygonal and is composed of straight walls (2, 3).
- 3. An apparatus according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the walls (2, 3) of the circumferential wall (1) of the cage consist of rods (4) which are stacked above one another at a distance from each other and are made of a sustainable material.
- 4. An apparatus according to claim 3, characterized in that the ends of the rods (4) of adjacent cage walls (2, 3) are stacked in an alternating fashion and are joined with each other.
- 5. An apparatus according to claim 4, characterized in that the ends of the stacked rods (4) are mutually joined through wood dowels (5) penetrating the same.
- 6. An apparatus according to one of the claims 1 to 5, characterized in that the cage has a floor (9) made of cardboard.
- 7. An apparatus according to the claims 3 and 6, characterized in that the cardboard forming the floor (9) is held between the two lowermost layers (7, 8) of rods.

8. An apparatus according to one of the claims 1 to 7, characterized in that the circumferential wall (1) of the cage is impregnated at least in sections with an easily inflammable combustible.

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9. An apparatus according to one of the claims 1 to 8, characterized in that the cage carries igniting aids (10) in its corner region on the floor side, which igniting aids are impregnated with an easily inflammable combustible.